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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO JACK BLUM OF SENATE FOREIGN  
RELATIONS COMMITTEE STAFF.

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, GW

SUBJECT: FRG DEFENSE MINISTRY INVESTIGATOR VISIT TO  
U.S. IN CONNECTION WITH SENATE INVESTIGATION OF  
LOCKHEED

1. THE SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG ON FEBRUARY 3 REPORTED ON  
INSIDE PAGE THAT DEFENSE MINISTRY SPECIAL INVESTIGATION  
DIVISION HEAD FRITZ-JOSEF RATH HAD BEEN SENT TO WITNESS  
HEARINGS BY THE SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MULTINATIONAL  
CORPORATIONSTO SEE IF THERE WAS ANY INVOLVEMENT OF  
FORMER OR PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE FEDERAL ARMED FORCES  
IN BRIBERY PRACTICES.

2. COMMENT: COVERAGE WAS BY NO MEANS SENSATIONAL BUT  
ARTICLE SIGNIFICANT AS PUBLIC INDICATION OF FRG  
INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED IMPROPER ACTIVITIES OF LOCKHEED  
AND GERMAN OFFICIALS IN CONNECTION WITH AIRCRAFT SALES  
IN GERMANY.  
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